

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA  
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Forest Department - Disciplinary action against Sri P. Nageshwar, Forest Range Officer (Retd) Amarabad Range, WLM, Achampet Division – Imposition of punishment of 5% cut in pension, besides recovery of an amount of Rs. 2,28,520/- – Orders – Issued.

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ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (FOR.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 64

Dated: 15-05-2018

Read the following:

1. Order of Hon'ble High Court dt. 15-09-2017 in W.P.No.31064 of 2017 filed by Sri P. Nageshwar, FRO, (Retd).
2. Govt. Memo. No.4864/For.III/A1/2017, Dt.30-11-2017.
3. From PCCF Lr.Rc.No.19875/Accts & Pen.4, Dt. 19-12-2017.
4. Govt. Memo.No.5444/For.III/A1/2017, Dt. 03-01-2018.
5. G.O.Rt.No.2, EFS&T (For.II) Dept., Dt. 04-01-2018.
6. From PCCF Lr.No.3252/2014/D&A.3, dt. 17-02-2018
7. Govt. Memo.No.4864/For.III/A1/2017-3, Dt.31-03-2018.
8. Govt. Memo. No.4864/For.III/A1/2017-4, Dt.21-04-2018.
9. Govt. Memo. No.4864/For.III/A1/2017-5, Dt.21-04-2018.
10. Explanation of Sri P. Nageshwar, FRO, (Retd), Dt.19.04.2018.
11. Govt. letter. No.4864/For.III/A1/2017-6, Dt.25-04-2018.
12. Govt. letter. No.4864/For.III/A1/2017-7, Dt.25-04-2018.
13. From PCCF Lr.Rc.No.3252/2014/D&A.3, Dt.27-04-2018.
14. Govt. letter.No.5444/For.III/A1/2017, Dt.11-05-2018.
15. Govt. Memo.No.5444/For.III/A1/2017, Dt.11-05-2018.
16. From Secretary, TSPSC Lr.Rc.No.427/RT/TSPSC/2018, Dt.15.05.2018.

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An Article of Charge was issued against Sri P.Nageshwar, Forest Range Officer, formerly Forest Range Officer, Amarabad vide PCCF Rc. No. 3252/2014 -Vig3, dated 22.01.2015 under Rule 20 of T.S civil Service (CCA) Rule 1991, on the following count:-

Charge:- That the said Forest Range Officer, failed to maintain integrity, discipline, sense of property and devotion to duty, by booking the expenditure without execution of works, leading to temporary embezzlement of Government money.

The Charged Officer has acknowledged the Article of Charge on 12.02.2015 and submitted his Written Statement of Defense on 18.02.2015. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests has appointed Chief Conservator of Forests/Field Director Amarabad Tiger Reserve and Divisional Forest Officer, Wildlife Management, Achampet as Inquiry Officer and Presenting Officer respectively for conducting regular enquiry vide PCCF Proc.No.3252/2014-Vig.3, dated 18.03.2015. The Inquiry Officer has submitted Inquiry Report with findings in respect of Sri P. Nageshwar, Forest Range Officer(Retd), formerly Forest Range Officer, Amarabad, Range WLM, Achampet, Division vide CF, FD, ATR, Achampet vide Rc.No.183/2015/ATR/PT3, dt. 10.01.2018, wherein, he has found that the charges levelled against the Charged Officer is Proved. The findings of the Inquiry Officer were communicated to the Charged Officer vide PCCF Rc.No.3252/2014/D&A.3, Dated. 24.01.2018. The Charged Officer has acknowledged the same on 30.01.2018. The Charged Officer has submitted his explanation on 08.02.2018. Since the Charged Officer has retired from service on 31.08.2016 on attaining the age of superannuation,

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the disciplinary proceedings are continued under Rule 9 of Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

2. Government after careful examination of the matter, with reference to the findings of the Inquiry Officer, explanation of the Charged Officer on the Inquiry Report, remarks of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, and material made available, have provisionally decided to impose a penalty of 5% cut in pension, besides recovery of an amount of Rs. 2,28,520/- of loss caused to the Government on the charged officer, Sri P. Nageshwar, Forest Range Officer (Retd) Amarabad Range, WLM, Achampet Division, under Rule 9 of Revised Pension Rules, 1980. Accordingly a Show Cause Notice was issued to the Charged Officer vide Govt memo 7<sup>th</sup> read above for his explanation, if any, on the proposed punishment. The Charged Officer acknowledged the show cause notice and submitted his written representation on 19.04.2018. After considering the explanation of the charged officer on the proposed punishment, not satisfying with the explanation of the Charged Officer, Government have decided to impose the punishment of 5% cut in pension, besides recovery of an amount of Rs. 2,28,520/- on the charged officer, Sri P. Nageshwar, Forest Range Officer (Retd). The Telangana State Public Service Commission has also concurred that proposal of the Government.

3. Government after careful consideration of case, hereby impose a penalty of 5% cut in pension, besides recovery of an amount of Rs.2,28,520/- against Sri P. Nageshwar, Forest Range Officer(Retd) Amarabad Range WLM, Achampet Division under Rule 9 of Revised Pension Rules,1980.

4. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Telangana, Hyderabad shall take further necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

AJAY MISRA  
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC)

To  
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Telangana, Hyderabad.  
The individual (through the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,  
Telangana, Hyderabad)

Copy to:

The Accountant General (A&E), Telangana, Hyderabad.  
The Director of Treasuries & Accounts, Telangana, Hyderabad.  
The Secretary, Telangana State Public Service Commission, Hyderabad.  
(w.r.t. their Lr.No.427/RT/TSPSC/2018, Dt:15-05-2018)

The Government Pleader for Forests (TG),  
The Government Pleader for Services -1(TG)

} w.r.t the order of Hon'ble  
High Court in W.P. No.  
31064/2017

The Law Officer, O/o PCCF, Telangana

// FORWARDED :: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER